THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The plan provision was Rs. 3900 crores which was increased to Rs. 4300 crores in consultation with the Planning Commission, by adding the credit obtained from the sale of scrap amounting to Rs. 400 crores. Against this the expenditure in the first four years and the outlay for the current year including credits is Rs. 4713.92 crores.

(c) The additional funds requirement have been met out of savings in other plan heads as per the actual expenditure and not by diversion of funds at the cost of other essential operating requirements.

[Translation]

Expansion of Rail Network

4121. SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the names of the districts in Bihar not yet connected with adequate rail service;

(b) the steps taken by the Government for the expansion of rail lines in Bihar;

(c) whether the Government have prepared any scheme in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Godda, District of Bihar has not yet been connected with rail line.

(b) to (d) Construction of a new line between Sakri and Hassanpur has been taken up. Besides the following surveys for new lines have been or are proposed to be taken up in Bihar :

1. Ranchi-Gaya via Hazaribagh
2. Rajgir to Hisua
3. Giridih and Koderma
4. Hazipur to Sagauli via Vaishali
5. Muzaffarpur-Sitamarhi
6. Khagaria to Kusheshwarasthan
7. Darbhanga to Sahrsa
8. Bhaptiai to Nirmali
9. Kursela to Sehrsa via Bihariganj
10. Banmankhi to Kishanganj
11. Nirmali to Saharsa
12. Madhepura to Jogbhani via Trivaniganj
13. Dehri-on-Sone Barwadih
14. Chunar-Sasaram
15. Barwadih-Chirmeri

[English]

4122. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the painful and fatal tests being carried out on the animals in the country to test the effects of chemicals used in the manufacture of cosmetics;

(b) if so, the facts in this regard;

(c) whether during the test large dozes of a specific chemicals are forced into the stomach of the animals leading to their deaths;

(d) if so, the utility of such tests;

(e) whether Government are considering to issue directions to all manufacturers of cosmetics operating in India to carry the message on each packet of their product as 'Not used on Animals';

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Drugs and Cosmetics rules formulated by the Bureau of Indian Standards, provide for mandatory testing of cosmetics on animals under Schedule 'S'. A list of such tests in placed in the enclosed statement.

(c) The tests are required to be performed as per the specific norms prescribed by the Bureau of Indian Standards;

(d) These tests are performed to evaluate the effects of chemicals in the cosmetic items for ascertaining possible harmful effects on human beings;

(e) to (g) The issue is under examination by the Committee for the Purpose of Controlling and Supervising Experiments on Animals.

STATEMENT

Table—1

Tests to be carried out on particular types of cosmetics

Sl. No.	Test	Type of Products
1.	2.	3.
1.	Primary skin irritation test	Skin and hair products
2.	Skin sensitization test	Skin, hair production, dentifrice, mouth wash
3.	Oral toxicity limit test	Dentifrice, mouth wash

1	2	3
4	mucous membrane irritancy test (a) Eye irritancy test (b) oral mucous irritancy test	Shampoos and eye area cosmetics Dentifrice, lipstics, and mouth wash
5	Systemic dermal toxicity test	Skin cream only

Additional test for novel speciality chemicals

A Phototoxicity (Photo-irritancy, photo-allergy) tests

B Mutagenicity tests

C Teratogenecity tests

Tests B & C (carcininogenicity test) may not be necessary

Human carcinogens identified by IARC monograph 1992 *must* be strictly kept out of all cosmetic formulations

Funds for Flood Relief

4123 SHRI T GOPAL KRISHNA Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state

(a) whether the fund sanctioned by the National Relief Committee for heavy rains and floods in October, 1995 has been released to all the States;

(b) if so, the time by which and the amount provided to the State Governments, State-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps taken for the early release of funds?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) Funds aggregating Rs. 104.00 crores approved by the National Calamity Relief Committee as assistance from the National Fund for Calamity Relief (NFCR) to the six States in the wake of floods of September-October, 1995 have been released on 23rd August, 1996. The State-wise details are as under :

Sl No.	State	Funds Released from NFCR (Rs. in Crores)
1.	Andhra Pradesh	21.00
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	10.00
3.	Bihar	21.00
4.	Meghalaya	10.00
5.	Rajasthan	21.00
6.	West Bengal	21.00
	Total :	104.00

(c) and (d). Do not arise.

Derailment of Train

4124 SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether the Gorakhpur 5078 Dn Hatia Express has derailed on 20.5.96 at the Dumari-Juara halt and its 13 compartments slipped away from the track;

(b) whether any inquiry was conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken against the defaulters; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) and (d) This accident is being enquired into by a committee of officers, and the report of enquiry committee is awaited.

[Translation]

Survey in Chhota Udaipur Region

4125. SHRI N.J. RATHVA Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state

(a) whether any survey was conducted for laying the Dabhai-Miyagam railway line under the Western Railway.

(b) whether the work approval has been given in this regard so as to start the work;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the time by which laying work of this railway line is likely to be completed;

(e) whether allocation has been made for the purpose; and

(f) if not, the time by which the allocation is likely to be made?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) (a) A survey for conversion of the line has been included in the budget 96-97.

(b) to (f) Further consideration of the project will be possible once the survey report becomes available.

[English]

Insurgency in North East

4126. SHRI HARIN PATHAK : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :